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Gus Gaviotis
Cotter Corporation
PO Box 700
Nucla, CO 81424

Subject: Request for Business Entity Name and/or Associated Actions, Cotter Corporation N S L, Papoose, M/037/084, San Juan County, Utah

Dear Mr. Gaviotis:

During June 2007, the Division received a Surety Bond Rider increasing the bond amount from \$94,700.00 to \$117,300.00. However, it has been discovered that Cotter Corporation N S L entity no _____ is expired with the State of Utah Department of Commerce. Until this important matter is resolved, the Division cannot process your Surety Bond Rider. Therefore, the Papoose mine is not in compliance with the Division, which could result in further fines or the issuance of a Cessation Order.

You must contact the State of Utah Department of Commerce to update Cotter Corporation's expired status and provide the Division documentation demonstrating Cotter Corporation N S L is a valid entity.

Please ensure these required actions gain your prompt attention so this permit is in compliance with state regulatory requirements.

If you have any questions please contact Jed Pearson, Minerals Surety Coordinator at 801-538-5382 or e-mail bondcoordinator@utah.gov

Sincerely,

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